(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether such high fees are beyond the reach of students hailing from poor families and rural areas;

(e) if so, whether Government would set up a National Commission to frame a reasonable and uniform fee structure throughout the Country which is affordable for the poor; and

(f) if so, the details thereof, and not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (f) It is true that each State/UT has its own fee structure for professional courses as fees for such courses are decided by the State Level Fee Committees, hence it varies from State to State. Since no details about fee structure are maintained centrally, the extent of variation in fees between one State or the other is not known. To help poor students, State Government have their own schemes like scholarships etc.

The All India Council for Technical Education, *vide* its notification dated March 9,2006, has constituted a Fee Committee headed by Justice Shri Ranganath Mishra, former Chief Justice of India to consider fixing norms and guidelines for charging tuition and other fees.

World Bank funded projects for upgrading education

13. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether World Bank funded projects worth Rs. 1800 crore for upgrading education facilities has run into rough weather following turf war between the officials of the Ministry of HRD;

(b) if so, the main projects affected and the reasons therefor;

(c) by when Government would be able to resolve this issue so that World Bank funds for projects are available; and

(d) by when Government would be able to utilize the funds fully?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (d) The Minister of Human Resource Development (HRD) is implementing two projects namely Technician Education Project III (Tech. Ed. (III) and Technical Education Quality improvement Prorgramme of Government of India (TEQIP) with the assistance of World Bank for up gradation of educational facilities.

There is no turf war between the officials of the Ministry of HRD and therefore, none of the above projects have run into rough weather.

The funds earmarked for Tech. Ed.III and TEQIP are to be utilized by June, 2007 and June, 2008 respectively.

Funds for U.P. under S.S.A.

14. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allotted to the State of Uttar Pradesh under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan for the year 2005-06;

(b) the extent to which the funds have utilized for the purpose during the year;

(c) whether the balance, if any, would be carried over to the next year;

(d) the funds allotted to the State under this Abhiyan for the year 2006-07; and

(e) the number of students likely to be benefited and the teachers proposed to be trained under this Scheme in U.P. during the year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) An amount of Rs. 1827.99 crore was released as Central share to the State of Uttar Pradesh under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan for the year 2005-06.

(b) The State has reported an expenditure of Rs. 2233.74 crore for the purpose. This takes into account the funds released by the State Government towards its State share for the programme.

(c) Yes, Sir.